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A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Workforce Investment Board; to
2 amend section 48-1623, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2002;
3 to change provisions relating to members; and to repeal
4 the original section.
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 48-1623, Revised Statutes Supplement,
2 2002, is amended to read:

3 48-1623. (1) The Nebraska Workforce Investment Board is
4 established to assist in the development of a state plan to carry
5 out the functions described in the federal Workforce Investment
6 Act.

7 (2) The state board shall include:

8 (a) The Governor;

9 (b) Two members of the Legislature selected by and
10 serving at the pleasure of the Speaker of the Legislature; ~~and~~

11 (c) The mayor of a city of the metropolitan class,
12 selected by the Governor;

13 (d) The mayor of a city of the primary class, selected by
14 the Governor; and

15 (e) Representatives appointed by the Governor who serve
16 at the pleasure of the Governor who are:

17 (i) Representatives of business in the state who:

18 (A) Are owners of businesses, chief executives or
19 operating officers of businesses, and other business executives or
20 employers with optimum policymaking or hiring authority, including
21 members of local boards described in subdivision (2)(a)(i) of
22 section 48-1620;

23 (B) Represent businesses with employment opportunities
24 that reflect the employment opportunities of the state; and

25 (C) Are appointed from among individuals nominated by
26 state business organizations and business trade associations;

27 (ii) Chief elected officials representing both cities and
28 counties;

1 (iii) Representatives of labor organizations who have
2 been nominated by state labor federations;

3 (iv) Representatives of individuals and organizations
4 that have experience with respect to youth programs authorized
5 under section 129 of the federal Workforce Investment Act, 29
6 U.S.C. 2854;

7 (v) Representatives of individuals and organizations that
8 have experience and expertise in the delivery of workforce
9 investment activities, including chief executive officers of
10 community colleges and community-based organizations within the
11 state;

12 (vi) (A) The officials from each of the lead state
13 agencies with responsibility for the programs and activities that
14 are described in section 48-1619 and carried out by one-stop
15 partners; and

16 (B) In any case in which no lead state agency official
17 has responsibility for such a program, service, or activity, a
18 representative in the state with expertise relating to such
19 program, service, or activity; and

20 (vii) Such other representatives and state agency
21 officials as the Governor may designate.

22 (3) The Governor, mayor of a city of the metropolitan
23 class, or mayor of a city of the primary class may designate a
24 nonvoting representative to participate on his or her behalf in
25 state board committee and general meetings. Such representative
26 shall not be considered a member of the board for purposes of
27 determining if a quorum is present.

28 (4) Members of the board that represent organizations,

1 agencies, or other entities shall be individuals with optimum
2 policymaking authority within the organizations, agencies, or
3 entities. The members of the board shall represent diverse regions
4 of the state, including urban, rural, and suburban areas.

5 ~~(4)~~ (5) A majority of the members of the state board
6 shall be private sector representatives described in subdivision
7 (2)(c)(i) of this section. The Governor shall select a chairperson
8 and a vice-chairperson for the state board from among the
9 representatives described in such subdivision.

10 ~~(5)~~ (6) To transact business at all meetings of the state
11 board, a quorum of members must be present. A quorum of the
12 Nebraska Workforce Investment Board shall be a majority of its
13 appointed members.

14 Sec. 2. Original section 48-1623, Revised Statutes
15 Supplement, 2002, is repealed.